**Academic Parents’ Day**

**First Grade: PSE Activity (Ben & Maritza)**

**Part 1**

The teachers invite the parents to sit looking at the back of the classroom, and listen to the instructions for a game that we are going to play.

One teacher stands at the front of the classroom and gives instructions, using gestures to aid understanding, to play Simon Says in German (*Simon sagt*):

* “Stehen Sie auf” (Stand up)
* “Setzen Sie sich” (Sit down)
* “Drehen Sie um” (Turn around)
* “Tippen Sie sich an die Nase” (Touch your nose)
* “Tippen Sie sich an die Augen” (Touch your eyes)
* “Tippen Sie sich an den Mund” (Touch your mouth)

Since the parents don’t speak German, they won’t do as directed. The teachers ask them to turn around to face the front of the class, and ask them why they didn’t do as they were asked.

**Part 2**

The teacher again gives the directions to play the game, this time with the parents looking at them, using TPR as before. Gradually the teacher reduces the number of visual cues, to see if the parents have ‘internalised’ the instructions.

**Part 3**

Ask the parents how they felt playing the game.

“Did you understand what to do the second time it was played?”

“Why was it easier the second time?”

“How do you think this relates to what we do with your children?”

“Do you know what active listeners are?”

“How can you support us at home in order to promote active listening?”